

## Maple Valley City Update

**January 11, 2016** 

# Events & Activities

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#### New Year's Day—City

 City Council Special Meeting

Offices Closed

Jan • Audit 6 Committee

> Planning Commission

Jan • City Council 11 Meeting

> Martin Luther King Jr. Day -City Offices
> Closed

Jan • Audit 20 • Committee • Planning

Commission

Jan • City Council 25 Meeting

> Public Safety Oversight Committee

Jan • Parks & Recreation Commission

### **Parks & Recreation Department Update**

#### Youth Basket Ball League

The Recreation Division received 602 registrations for the new Youth Basketball League that was previously offered through Tahoma Learning Community. The league is for girls and boys in Kindergarten through 8th grade. Practices begin the week of January 4th with the first games played on Saturday, January 16th at local schools. The 602 participants exceeded staffs expectations, resulting in 64 teams, all coached by volunteers.



Staff Preparations for Youth Basketball Coaches Meeting

<u>Note:</u> Staff struggled to find enough volunteer coaches, officials and gym monitors to manage the league. Below is a breakdown of the program participants:

Grade	Gender	# Participants	# Teams	# Volunteer Coaches	Comments
К	Coed	90	10	20	
1st	Boys	60	6	12	
1st & 2nd	Girls	54	6	12	
2nd	Boys	75	8	16	
3rd & 4th	Girls	65	6	12	
3rd	Boys	60	6	12	
5th & 6th	Girls	34	4	8	
4th	Boys	62	6	12	
7th & 8th	Girls	2	0	0	Combined with Boys
5th	Boys	45	6	12	
6th	Boys	38	4	8	
7th & 8th	Boys	16	2	4	
Total		602	64	128	

#### **Lodge Hours Changed**

The Parks & Recreation Department implemented new office hours January 4, 2016. The new office hours are 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Thursday and Friday.

#### **Parks & Recreation Total Activity Registration Comparisons**

<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
1,811	2,339
1,401	1,830
410	509
	<b>1,811</b> 1,401

## 2016 Goals & Objectives

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

• Support the update of the City's zoning code and design regulations to reflect the City's vision as articulated in the updated Comprehensive Plan.

- Continue to work with the Tahoma School District to achieve its goal of opening the new high school/regional education center by August 2017 and to build a new Lake Wilderness Elementary School by 2018.
- Continue to work with the Tahoma School District to package the services of the new regional education center as an anchor to attract private commercial investment to locate living-wage jobs on the property adjacent to the new center.
- Hire an economic development coordinator for the City.
- Hold an economic development retreat with the City Council in the 1st quarter of 2016.

#### **PARKS & RECREATION**

- Facilitate process, with the Parks & Recreation Commission, to develop recreation facilities with appropriate partners to meet recreation demands from Maple Valley families through a voted bond initiative.
- Support the efforts of the same groups to craft a plan of action that will direct the projects funded by the passed voted-bond issue.
- Continue to support the community events that use the Lake Wilderness Park facilities throughout the year.

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

- Continue to work with the King County Sheriff's Office in providing good police services to City citizens through the existing contract.
- Participate in localized emergency preparedness drills utilizing the City's newly updated Emergency Preparedness Plan and the new Emergency Operations Center.
- Work with the City Police Department and our new Domestic Violence Advocate to increase community awareness of the issues pertaining to domestic violence.
- Work with public/private partnership on establishing a men's transitional housing unity within SE King County to aid our growing population of homeless men, many of whom suffer from mental health and drug addiction issues.
- Increase patrols of our trails system in and around the City.

#### **PUBLIC WORKS**

- Continue to support the Public Works Department staff in its efforts with the 216th SE Avenue improvement project and the planning phase of the Witte Rd. Phase 5 project.
- Continue to support City staff's efforts to use programs that will keep Maple Valley NPDES compliant (goat mowing, pond improvements, community education).
- Continue to support the Public Works staff in efforts to improve water quality of storm runoff.
- Continue involvement in regional groups dealing with transportation issues.

#### **QUALITY CITY SERVICES**

- Continue to support the efforts of Black Diamond, Covington, and Maple Valley in identifying opportunities where the three communities can work together/share resources to maximize efficiencies and better use public funds.
- Continue strong participation in the Sound Cities Association and associated committees.

#### **DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

The IT Department tried squeezing as much as possible out of 2015 and to do so we built a time machine. Okay... that is a lie, but we just wanted to see if the new Councilors were paying attention! We did however make the most of the end of the year, regardless of our feeble attempts at the time machine project (turns out there was no flux capacitor in the budget). All joking aside we accomplished some great feats before the clock struck midnight on 2015.

The beginning of the month started out with some fun in the form of a winter storm and power outages. Of the City's six locations, three of them were out of power on December 10th for more than 30+ hours (Lake Wilderness Lodge, Ranger House and the Lake Wilderness Golf Course). The City only has backup power at the EOC. We were very lucky that the Lodge finally came back on-line as the server for our on-line registration software is located there and lots of parents were frantically trying to meet registration deadlines. We were lucky it didn't happen the week before, as our first day of registration had over 450 on-line registrations bringing in over \$27,000 in revenue. For more information about the effects of the power outage on the Parks Department, please speak to Greg Brown our Parks & Recreation Director.

Then FINALLY our over-year-long project of getting new telecom fiber to City Hall was tackled the very next day! This is very exciting as it now puts us in a position to begin offering more citizen facing solutions and making E-

government a real thing in Maple Valley. One of our goals for 2016 is offering on-line permits, using our E-Trakit software. This is a huge project and is not just a "check a box" in the software, it is a full scale software implementation project. It will take an enormous amount of Community Developments' human resources, planning, meetings and configuration changes (with the help of IT)... but in the end it will all be worth it! We are very excited.



We also hope to launch by second quarter our GIS Portal which will give citizens, developers, outside contractors/ agencies, etc. access to all of our GIS data. We are very excited about also giving citizens access to our PlanDepot (over 3,000 scanned mylars, plans, etc.) through this portal. None of this would be possible without that new fiber connection, as the bandwidth loads would have been too much for our previous telecom and crippled every day operations.

The IT Department also finished getting our new UHF Radio Antenna at City Hall up and running. We had installed one at the EOC, but due to topography we had no signal on the north end of town or at City Hall. The antennas and their corresponding repeaters are now up and running, giving the City an avenue of communications during an emergency that is more reliable than cellular. Which leads into the conversation that this past month we also participated in several surveys and conversations with the State in conjunction with the Washington OneNet|FirstNet Project. This project has a goal of having a Government Only Wireless Network so that first responders and government agencies are not left with a "busy signal" using their cellular devices during an emergency because citizens are using those same towers to call loved ones and/or tweet. We also worked on finalizing our EMPG (Emergency Management Performance Grant) Program for 2015-2016. We were approved for \$13,000; part of this grant will be used to further expand our UHF Radio system with a few base stations at our primary locations in 2016.

#### **DEPARTMENT UPDATE (cont'd)**

As exciting as all of this is...we did more! You would think the fiber would be enough to get these geeks excited... nope... Christmas came a little early and at the beginning of the month we life cycled out some old hardware and put in two new physical servers that act as the host to our virtual infrastructure. What does all this mumbo – jumbo mean? These two servers and a thing we call a SAN (Storage Area Network) are basically the physical parts that run 20+ Servers and Virtual Machines...can you say awesomesauce! (Oxford dictionary says that's a word now).



Steve looks over joyed because he has been working hard on the Elements (Maintenance and Operations software) upgrade this past month. There are a lot of new configurations that needed to be done to make this new software purr like a kitten and knowing he now has more processing speed, memory and fiber behind it is exciting stuff! Elements uses four servers (three of those servers also support other systems... but nonetheless... lots of configurations between all of them). All of this will not only help track all our work done on our physical assets of the City, but also help our staff be able to access the software through mobile solutions. We see big things in the future, we just need more time and manpower to make it all happen. (Back to the time machine project).

Speaking of manpower... we have been thrilled with all of Alan's hard work. The arduous but very important project that is entering dots, lines and polygons and attribute after attribute of data associated to our private storm water systems here in the City is moving along at a fantastic pace! Having one person focus on just one project with no interruptions has produced amazing efficiency and speed!

We also updated a few things, rebooted a couple other things, tackled paper jams with tweezers, attended a few holiday parties and there might have been an after-hours evening of Madden NFL with flying drones; IT really knows how to party. Happy New Year everyone...bring on 2016!

#### **DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

- City Clerk staff supported two Council meetings in December.
- Staff planned and/or supported Wellness Committee activities, Hometown Holidays and Employee Holiday Lunch.
- Shaunna attended FEMA Course ICS L105 Public Information and Warning.
- Becky attended Washington Association of Public Records Officials training.
- 12 passport applications and 14 Pet Licenses were processed in December.
- Staff processed 15 new Request for Disclosure of Public Records and 200+ website updates in December.

#### STATUS OF ACTIVE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

#### Witte Road Phase 3 (T28a)

Witte Road Phase 3 construction received substantial completion on November 6, 2015. The contractor, Sanders General Construction, is in the process of completing the punch list, prior to physical completion. The ribbon cutting ceremony for this project occurred on December 16th and received publicity in the December 22, 2015 edition of Voice of the Valley.

#### Witte Road Phase 4 (T28b)

The design contract was approved by City Council at the December 14th Council meeting. Staff met with Washington State Department of Transportation on November 2nd to review the environmental permitting requirements, which will be of great assistance in design and applying for grant funding opportunities. Project design by Mead & Hunt is beginning and the first review of design plans is scheduled for early March.

#### 216th Avenue SE Roadway Improvement (T38)

The City of Maple Valley was notified by the State Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) that the 216th Avenue SE Roadway Improvements was awarded grant funding from the Urban Arterial Program (UAP) for \$1,614,888. Staff is working on the final touches on the plans and specifications and the project is scheduled to be advertised starting before the end of this month.

#### Cedar Downs Div. 3 Drainage Improvement Project (S-12)

This project includes the removal and replacement of existing deteriorated stormwater pipes and catch basins. Other work includes removing sediment, overgrowth vegetation and trees located in the pond and expanding the pond to increase capacity and improve water quality. The bid documents are currently being prepared. Staff is working closely with the property owner to negotiate necessary easements needed to complete the work.

#### **Box Culvert Replacement Feasibility Study**

The Box Culvert Replacement Feasibility Study has been done by Herrera Environmental Consultants, Inc. The culverts crossing are located near SE 250th Place and 224th Avenue; over Jenkins Creek near the outlet of Lake Wilderness. The purpose of this study is to determine the feasibility of replacing a series of crossing culverts which is currently identified by the State Department of Fish and Wild Life as a partial fish barrier and maybe restrict flow capacity. The methods of the study include geomorphic, hydrologic, fish habitat and suitability, and wetland assessment. It was determined that the current configuration of existing culverts is sufficient to pass all water without a significant impoundment of water on the upstream side of the road. From a fish passage perspective, the benefit of expanding the crossing is also insufficient to warrant an improvement project. Although there is gravel in the creek (likely placed during the daylighting project) and water quantity and quality is good in the wintertime, the amount and quality of spawning habitat available is absent or extremely limited in space and time. The potential for release of predatory species (e.g., largemouth bass) to downstream areas presents an additional risk that make the benefit of increasing passage through the road prism marginal at best. There are other actions that can improve flood and ecological conditions in the lake and creek including the removal of invasive plants from the wetland area and replanting with native species. Other consideration may include encouraging low impact development (LID) practices in the lake drainage basin in terms of reduce the potentially high lake level. One of major LID approaches is to increase infiltration of stormwater runoff contributing to the lake by constructing bioswale, rain garden, permeable pavement, and etc. These LID approaches can reduce the peak flow and amount of stormwater runoff to the lake and creek.

#### STATUS OF ACTIVE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (Cont'd)

#### **Fernwood Estates Drainage Improvement Project**

The purpose of this project is to replace deteriorated pipes and catch basins located in Fernwood Estates Division 2 area. The storm infrastructure has reached the end of its useful life showing cracks, leaks, and has locations where the pipe has been crushed. It is anticipated that without repairs the system is likely to collapse. Preliminary construction work includes the removal of the existing stormwater system, the repair/replacement of existing driveway, curb and sidewalk that have been damaged by settling storm system, installing spill control and repairing sidewalk ramps. The preliminary engineering cost estimate to be about \$130,000.00. This cost includes design, construction, inspection and engineering management. The construction phase is expected to occur in summer 2016.

#### **DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

#### **Planning Commission**

The Planning Commission has begun working toward updating the zoning code to implement the Comprehensive Plan Update. At the meeting on December 2nd, staff presented the fundamentals of zoning and how zoning operates in Washington State as well as itemized the areas of consideration for changes to Maple Valley's zoning code. At the meeting on January 6th, the Commission began looking at actual zoning text amendments. The Commission's goal is to be completed with all the zoning work by May 2016.

#### **Public Works Maintenance**

Our maintenance team had some minor snow and ice events to respond to last month. They did a great job! They are keeping the equipment ready for any more weather events. They are also working to design the landscaping improvements at the roundabout on Witte Road. Staff will be sure to alert Council before the planting is scheduled.

#### **Traffic Management**

Staff continues to work closely with police and a number of neighborhoods where speeding and cut through traffic continue to be a concern. Now that the holidays are over, data collection will be completed and meetings scheduled with neighbors.

Staff will be bringing a proposal to lower the speed limit along Kent Kangley through Four Corners to Council later in January. Staff is coordinating with the City of Kent to lower the speed limit prior to entering the City; Kent is the agency responsible for Kent Kangley just to the east of Maple Valley's City limits.

#### **Solid Waste**

Staff attended the December 11, 2015 Metropolitan Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee (MSWMAC) meeting.

#### **Lakes Program**

Review is underway of revisions to the new Washington State Department of Ecology Aquatic Plant and Algae Management General Permit for Lake Wilderness. The new permit will be effective following the March 18, 2016 expiration of the current permit.

## **Residential Subdivisions and Available Lots**

								<b>Building Permits Issued</b>		Issued	
File Number	Plat Name	Pre-Plat Approval	Potential Building Lots	Pre-Plat Expiration	Final Plat Approval	Approved Lots	Site Under Const.	Prior to 2014	2014	2015	Available Building Lots
CD0609-002	Sawyer's Crest	2/10/2005		N/A	5/14/2007	50	N/A	50	0	0	0
CD0811-001	Sawyer's Crest 2	1/25/2006		N/A	2/9/2009	30	N/A	30	0	0	0
CD0812-002	Sun Ridge at Elk Run 3	5/4/2006		N/A	3/23/2009	75	N/A	53	20	2	0
CD0806-004	Mountain View	5/31/2005		N/A	4/12/2010	43	N/A	43	0	0	0
CD1103-001	Rock Creek Meadows	8/15/2006		N/A	9/26/2011	34	N/A	34	0	0	0
CD1307-002	Reserve at Maple Valley	9/28/2005		N/A	11/13/2013	60	N/A	11	49	0	0
CD0406-013	Ridge at Lake Wilderness	6/30/2004		N/A	2/25/2005	11	N/A	7	2	0	2
CD1308-005	Arbors Phase 1	7/18/2007		N/A	1/13/2014	44	N/A	1	42	1	0
CD1309-002	Jordan's Crossing	7/31/2007		N/A	3/24/2014	15	N/A	1	13	0	1
CD1406-005	Arbors Phase 2	7/18/2007		N/A	9/22/2014	34	N/A	0	33	1	0
CD1404-002	Rock Creek Reserve	9/1/2006		N/A	9/22/2014	25	N/A	0	4	18	3
CD1308-001	Terrace at Maple Woods	5/5/2014		N/A	7/27/2015	35	N/A			6	29
CD0804-004	Sun Ridge at Elk Run 4 D 1	6/12/2012		N/A	8/24/2015	59	N/A			4	55
CD0602-005	Arbors Phase 3	7/18/2007	48	7/15/2017	No		No				0
CD1308-004	Yellow Rock Road	4/1/2014	6	4/1/2017	No		No				0
CD0601-010	Wildemess Hills 3	12/11/2007	22	12/8/2017	No		No				0
CD0702-001	South Fork	7/31/2007	10	7/28/2017	No		No				0
CD0702-010	Malloy	10/5/2007	44	10/2/2017	No		No				0
CD0711-002	Sun Ridge at Elk Run 4 D 2	9/19/2012	6	9/18/2019	No		No		_		0
CD0602-005	Arbors Phase 4	7/18/2007	9	7/15/2017	No		No				0
CD1506-007	Shavano Park	In review	51	N/A	No		No				0
		Total	196			515		230	163	32	90

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## **Commercial Projects**

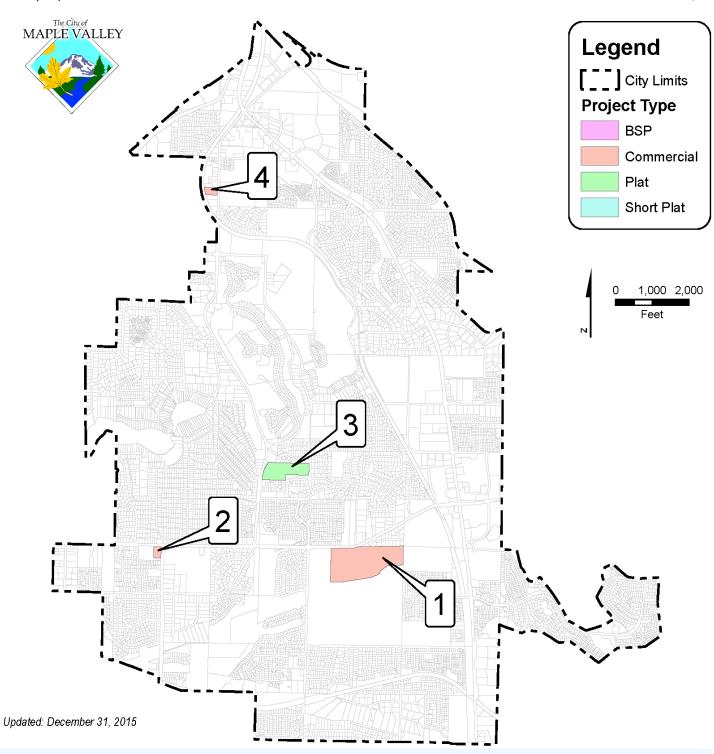
File Number	Commercial Projects	Square Feet	Туре	Status
CD1307-004	Hope Fellowship	7,942	Building addition	Under construction
CD1406-001	Four Corners Sq. Bldg. L	5,600	New construction	Under construction
CD1412-002	Tahoma High School	315,000	New construction	Under construction
CD1412-003	McDonald's		Building remodel	In site dev review
CD1501-005	St. George Episcopal	5,000	New construction	In site dev review
CD1506-002	MV Chevron Carwash	2,504	New construction	In site dev review

Total 336,046

## **Pre-Application Conferences**

Туре	2014	2015 1st Quarter	2015 2nd Quarter	2015 3rd Quarter	2015 4th Quarter	2015 YTD
Commercial	23	0	2		2	4
Residential	18	4	4	4	7	19
Other Review Meetings	21	2	4	2	3	11
Totals	62	6	10	6	12	34

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## Projects Under Review

No.	Name	Project Type	Description	Lots/SqFt	Status
1	Tahoma High School	Commercial	Site development permit	315,000 sqft	Under review
2	MV Chevron carwash	Commercial	Site development permit	2,504	Under review
3	Shavano Park	Plat	Preliminary Plat	51	Under review
4	St. George Episcopal	Commercial	Site development permit	5,000 sqft	Under review